

Project STPILLAR

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Project Review

Memorandum Request

Project Review

Termination

Project Amendment

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DATE OF APPROVAL 18 April 1955

APPROVED BY AUTHORITY Director of Central Intelligence

AMOUNT [ ] FISCAL YEAR 1955

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

\*Approval of this amendment in the amount of \$193,800 increases the project's FY 1955 authorization from \$4,264,888 to \$4,458,688.

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PRC No. DD/P 226-55

**SUBJECT:** Project DTPILLAR, Amendment # /  
Increase FY 1955 Authorization

**PURPOSE:**

DTPILLAR

To support DTPILLAR operations in Indonesia, Cambodia and South Viet Nam. For this purpose, this Amendment requests approval of an additional \$193,800 and will thereby increase the project's FY 1955 authorization from [ ] to [ ]

**BACKGROUND:**

DTPILLAR, a proprietary project, was originally approved on 7 February 1951. Its objective is to create private action groups and private institutions in Asia which will counteract the appeals of Communism by providing expanding opportunities to Asians to achieve their legitimate goals by their own efforts and by democratic means. Project DTPILLAR operations in Indonesia, Cambodia and South Viet Nam have been assigned high priority for DTPILLAR. No funds were provided in the approved DTPILLAR FY 1955 budget for that organization's representation and activities in Indonesia, Cambodia and South Viet Nam. Funds are available for the requested increase and the Comptroller has been notified accordingly.

**ACTION:**

The Deputy Director (Plans) has requested that this project action be expedited.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Director approve this Amendment to Project DTPILLAR in the amount of [ ] for FY 1955.

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Chairman, PRC

Robert Amory, Jr.  
Deputy Director (Intelligence)

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Deputy Director (Support)

APPROVED:

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Director of Central Intelligence

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**MEMORANDUM FOR: SECRETARY OF THE PROJECT REVIEW  
COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: Project DTPILLAR, Amendment**

1. There is transmitted herewith for approval an Amendment to Project DTPILLAR requesting an additional [ ] FY 1955 funds. Approval of this Amendment will increase the project's FY 1955 authorization from [ ] to [ ]. The additional funds are available within the DD/P and the Comptroller has been advised accordingly.

2. The objective of DTPILLAR is to create private action groups and private institutions in Asia which will counteract the appeals of Communism by providing expanding opportunities to Asians to achieve their legitimate goals by their own efforts and by democratic means. The purpose of this Amendment is to request FY 1955 funds which will be used to support DTPILLAR operations in Indonesia, Cambodia and South VietNam, countries which have been assigned high priority for DTPILLAR. No funds were provided in DTPILLAR's FY 1955 budget for that organization's representation and activities in Indonesia, Cambodia and South VietNam.

3. It is recommended that the attached Amendment to Project DTPILLAR be approved as submitted.

*For Frank G. Wiesner*

**FRANK G. WISNER**  
Deputy Director (Plans)

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Project Review Committee

Comptroller

Additional Funds for Project DTPILLAR

1. Project DTPILLAR results from CIA responsibility under NSC 5412, NSC Directives on Covert Operations, 15 March 1954 and NSC 162/2, Review of Basic National Security, 30 October 1953.

2. The FY 1955 Program for DTPILLAR was approved by the DCI on 10 August 1954. The status of this project, for the period ending 31 January 1955, is presented below:

Approved FY 1955 Program . . . . .	[ ]
Expended through 31 January 1955 . . . . .	[ ]
Unexpended Balance. . . . .	[ ]
Average Monthly Expenditure - 7 months .	[ ]
Average Amount Available - 5 months. . .	[ ]

According to these figures, there is approximately [ ] available for other purposes during the remaining five months of FY 1955. However, there is the possibility that the rate of expenditures will increase during this same period. In addition, there is the statement by the Chief, ID Division, that the balance of DTPILLAR's approved budget is required to meet anticipated obligations in areas, other than Indonesia, Cambodia, and South Vietnam.

3. No funds were provided in DTPILLAR's FY 1955 budget for DTPILLAR representation in Indonesia, Cambodia, and South Vietnam. Therefore, additional funds in the amount of [ ] have been requested to accomplish DTPILLAR's proposed activities in this new area.

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Distribution of this increase is scheduled below:

<u>Administrative</u>	<u>Status of Budget - 31 Jan.</u>	<u>Requested Increases</u>	<u>Total of Amended Budget</u>
San Francisco. . . . .	C [ ]	C - ]	C [ ]
New York . . . . .	C [ ]	C - ]	C [ ]
Asia . . . . .	C [ ]	C - ]	C [ ]
 <u>Programs</u>			
Country Programs . . . . .	C [ ]	C [ ]	C [ ]
Intra Asian and Special Projects . . . . .	C [ ]	C - ]	C [ ]
<u>Investments</u> - Housing & Furn..	C [ ]	C - ]	C [ ]
<u>Contingency</u> . . . . .	C [ ]	C - ]	C [ ]
GRAND TOTALS. . . .	C [ ]	C [ ]	C [ ]

Increases are designated by line items of the FY 1955 budget and the Budget Division will review expenditures to determine compliance with this program. If any adjustments are effected between the line items concerned, it is suggested that Budget Amendments be prepared.

4. The major operational objectives for which these additional funds are requested is in its broad sense to blunt the threat of Communist organizational work in this area. More specifically, operations are proposed in the fields of youth and education; cooperatives; labor and civic organizations; student exchanges; lay and ecclesiastical Buddhist groups; and newspapers and other publications. It is also reasonable to assume that some information will be made available to the intelligence community as a by-product of these new activities.

5. It is understood that there is no change in personnel requirements and that there are no logistical requirements.

6. Necessary action is being taken at this time to have Project DTPILLAR renewed. Revision of the Administrative Plan has been requested of PAPS.

7. If this amendment is approved, unvouchered funds, available within the IO Division for FY 1955 allowance, are available.

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